

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to more clearly define the invention as disclosed in the written description. In particular, claim 2 has been cancelled, while claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of cancelled claim 1. In addition, the claims have been amended for clarity.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-3 and 6-9 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,226,040 to Kuo et al. The Examiner has further rejected claims 4 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kuo et al. in view of U.S. Patent 5,161,020 to Sugimori et al.

The Kuo et al. patent discloses an apparatus for converting video signal, in which a presenter, when making a presentation, is enabled to select a predefined area of a particular picture, outline that area and selective zoom only in the selected area.

As noted in MPEP §2131, it is well-founded that "A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference." *Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 USPQ2d 1051, 1053 (Fed. Cir. 1987). Further, "The identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as is contained in the ... claim." *Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co.*, 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9 USPQ2d 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1989).

The subject invention, as claimed in claim 1, includes the step of "receiving a video signal carrying input information representing moving images occupying an area of a display".

Applicant submits that there is no disclosure or suggestion in Kuo et al. that the video signal applied to the apparatus represents moving images occupying an area of a display. In particular, Kuo et al., at col. 1, lines 12-15, specifically states "The data may be a picture, a photograph, or a document."

The subject invention, as claimed in claim 1, further includes the limitation "automatically re-scaling the selected section over a number of consecutive frames in a series of moving image frames by operating directly on information representing the series of moving image frames carried by the input video signal".

Since it is apparent that Kuo et al. only relates to a still image, there is no disclosure or suggestion that the re-scaling of the selected section should be repeated over "a number of consecutive frames".

The Sugimori et al. patent discloses a television broadcasting apparatus including monochromatic characters with a colored contour, in which monochromatic characters appearing in a colored background are detected due to their abnormal chrominance signal spectrum, and which then may be selectively removed from the video signal.

However, Applicant submits that Sugimori et al. does not supply that which is missing from Kuo et al., i.e., "receiving a video signal carrying input information representing moving images

occupying an area of a display" and "automatically re-scaling the selected section over a number of consecutive frames in a series of moving image frames by operating directly on information representing the series of moving image frames carried by the input video signal".

In view of the above, Applicant believes that the subject invention, as claimed, is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by the prior art, either individually or collectively, and as such, is patentable thereover.

Applicant believes that this application, containing claims 1 and 3-9, is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

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